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Dear ACSC Class of 2007

Welcome to the Air Command and Staff College (ACSC) family! We congratulate you on your selection to attend ACSC in-residence. You can look forward to being challenged throughout the year in and out of the classroom. Leadership opportunities are an important aspect of ACSC and will help you grow personally and professionally during your time here. You are joining an organization totally committed to our vital mission: *Set an example that creates an environment which inspires ACSC student-leaders to succeed!* We ensure freedom by developing leaders.

We are looking forward to your arrival this summer. You will in-process on 8 August (make sure you have what you need) at the Officer's Club and then are scheduled for a 3-day orientation program to assist you and your families in making a successful transition to Maxwell AFB and the Montgomery area. The "first-50," along with some officers from the AY06A (December entry) class, will be the initial cadre of leadership for your class. You will be joined by 535 U.S. officers and 78 international officers from 66 different countries. You will build life-long relationships.

As you explore our website, let me direct you to some important information. Uniform requirements have changed. Our daily uniform is BDU/flight suit, except on Wednesday, which is an ACSC-designated "Blues" day. You will also be required to wear the Air Force Physical Training uniform when doing group PT. We build time into the schedule everyday for physical training. The Student Handbook is a great resource. We recommend that you read it prior to your arrival. The ACSC Spouses offer a tremendous program and I recommend that you check out their website, including information on housing and schools. Registration and testing for Fall 2006 enrollment at many of the private, magnet, and preschools have begun and the deadlines are fast approaching.

Please feel free to contact us through our unit orderly room at DSN 493-6494 or (334) 953-6494, should you need additional information or assistance. We are ready to help you make this transition a smooth one.

Again, welcome to ACSC. I am confident you will find this assignment challenging and rewarding. I look forward to serving with you.

Sincerely

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